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Mayor Rick Bonnette congratulates outgoing councillor Dave Kentner following his final council meeting. Though Kentner is no longer on council, he is by no means retired from working for his community. He's already filling his calendar with his involvement in several community organizations.

## KENTNER PROUD OF COUNCIL'S ACHIEVEMENTS DURING HIS THREE TERMS

### LOSS OF SEAT WON'T STOP FORMER COUNCILLOR FROM BEING INVOLVED IN HIS TOWN

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It's been three days since Dave Kentner attended his final council meeting, officially ending a 12-year run as a Halton Hills councillor for Ward 3.

Kentner is discussing his years on council when his cellphone starts ringing.

"I'm sorry, do you mind holding on just a second?" he asks.

In a little more than a minute, Kentner lines up another sponsor for the Georgetown Hockey Heri-

tage dinner and, without missing a beat, returns to discussing his three terms on council.

Three more times during a 20-minute conversation, his phone beeps alerting him of another call waiting for him.

None of this will come as a surprise to the people he served with on council. It's pretty much what they expected.

"I wish him a happy retirement," Ward 4 Coun. Bob Inglis said at Kentner's final meeting, "though I don't think that's in his vocabulary."

"This gentleman is not retiring, don't kid yourself for one second," added Ward 2 Coun. Bryan Lewis. "The enthusiasm we see here is just a small part of Dave Kentner that continues on well beyond here."

Kentner didn't need long to fill the time previously occupied by council business. The planning for the Hockey Heritage dinner remains a constant, he looks after the finances for Light Up the Hills. He pulled back on his commitment to the Halton Hills Sports Museum and Hall of Fame, but says he'll have more time to lend to it now. And he's already got plans for another project that he's keeping under wraps until he can get the people to help him with it in place.

And though he's obviously not opposed to being busy, Kentner said council proved to be more work than he anticipated when he was first elected. He was prepared for the work in setting direction for the

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